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DIESEL ENGINE"

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) PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
) UNDER RULE 102(c)

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that the Commissioner of Patents accord "special" status to the subject application, advancing its examination under the provisions of Rule 37 C.F.R. §1.102(c) and in accordance with Paragraph V, of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure.

The invention relates to a fumigation system that allows for the controlled injection of gaseous fuels into the intake air of a diesel engine. Injection of such gaseous fuels allows the diesel engine to more completely combust fuels and thereby achieve enhanced fuel economy as well as lower engine emissions. In the latter regard, it will be noted that oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) emissions and particulate emissions from diesel engines are often several times that of comparably sized gasoline engines. The present invention allows for reducing NO_x and particulate emissions from

diesel engines to levels that are comparable with gasoline engines and thereby materially enhances quality of the environment by reducing air pollution. It is respectfully urged that this Petition be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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